

Listing of Claims:

1—82. (Cancelled)

83. (New) One or more computer-readable media comprising computer-executable instructions for integrating spreadsheet functionality into word processing text, the computer-executable instructions comprising instructions for:

presenting a free floating field in line with text in a document, the free floating field containing content derived from a source, wherein a format applied to the text is automatically applied to the content within the free floating field;

changing, upon selection the free floating field, an appearance of the free floating field from an appearance of the text in the document to an appearance of a spreadsheet;

determining, upon selection of the free floating field, a type of content in the free floating field;

presenting a formula edit box that initially defaults to a size and shape of the free floating field, but that dynamically resizes as needed and data is added, wherein content entered to the formula edit box is entered into the free floating field;

interpreting a type of the entered content based upon the determination of the type of the content already in the free floating field, wherein the interpreting comprises interpreting user entry as applicable to spreadsheet functions, if the type of content is a formula or non-text data and interpreting the user entry as applicable to word processing functions, if the type of the content is not a formula or non-text data;

1 updating the content in the free floating field automatically upon
2 modification of the source; and

3 creating a second free floating field partly in response to user selection of at
4 least a portion of the text of the document, wherein the second free floating field is
5 configured to contain the selected portion of the text.

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7 84. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, wherein
8 presenting the free floating field comprises providing text-based content from the
9 source.

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11 85. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, wherein
12 presenting the free floating field comprises providing numeric-based content from
13 the source.

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15 86. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, wherein the
16 document is written in a mark-up language.

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18 87. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, wherein entering
19 content into the free floating field comprises entering some combination of text,
20 numerals or a formula.

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22 88. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, wherein the
23 resizing the formula edit box comprises resizing the formula edit box as the user
24 enters data comprising text or numerals.
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1 89. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, additionally
2 comprising dynamically resizing the formula edit box by extending the formula
3 edit box horizontally, followed by subsequently extending the formula edit box
4 vertically.

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6 90. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, additionally
7 comprising overlaying the formula edit box on the free floating field to facilitate
8 user entry of a formula.

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10 91. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, additionally
11 comprising nesting the free floating field within a cell of a table defined within the
12 document.

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14 92. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, additionally
15 comprising referencing a cell in a table with the free floating field.

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17 93. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, additionally
18 comprising nesting the free floating field within a first cell of a table in the
19 document and referencing a second cell in the table with the free floating field.

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21 94. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, additionally
22 comprising constructing a table within the document, wherein the free floating
23 field and the second free floating fields contain one or more references to contents
24 in the table.
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1 95. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, wherein the
2 source includes one or more cells of a table in the document.

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4 96. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, additionally
5 comprising, upon modification of the text in the second free floating field,
6 automatically updating the free floating field.

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8 97. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, additionally
9 comprising constructing multiple free floating fields within the document, wherein
10 at least one free floating field contains a reference to contents in another free
11 floating field.

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13 98. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, additionally
14 comprising formatting numbers within the free floating field independently from
15 text formatted in the free floating field.

16 99. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, additionally
17 comprising tracking references made between a table in the document and the free
18 floating field.

1 100. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, additionally
2 comprising:

3 referencing, by the second free floating field, the content the free floating
4 field; and

5 automatically updating the second free floating field upon alteration of the
6 contents of the free floating field.

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8 101. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, additionally
9 comprising:

10 presenting a table in the document; and

11 referencing a cell in the table to add a data value to a formula within the
12 free floating field.

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14 102. (New) The computer-readable media of Claim 83, additionally
15 comprising:

16 enabling a user to select a control function to modify or evaluate an aspect
17 of the document; and

18 applying the control function across both text within a table and the free
19 floating field.